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# **CITY OF SANTA BARBARA**

## **COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT**

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AGENDA DATE: June 23, 2009

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

**FROM:** Administrative Services Division, Police Department

**SUBJECT:** Bureau Of Justice Assistance, Edward Byrne Memorial Grant

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council accept a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, totaling \$777,206, and authorize the Chief of Police to execute the grant agreement.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

On February 17, 2009, President Obama signed into law the landmark American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Act) of 2009. As one of its many elements, the Act provides the U.S. Department of Justice with funding for grants to assist state and local law enforcement agencies to fight crime and improve the functionality of the criminal justice system. As part of the Act, Santa Barbara County jurisdictions were designated to receive non-competitive grant funding in the amount of \$777,206. The U.S. Department of Justice pre-designated funding to specific jurisdictions within the county with a requirement that the jurisdictions create a Memorandum of Understanding agreeing on specific allocations of funding.

On March 25, 2009, law enforcement officials from all involved Santa Barbara County agencies met and agreed upon disbursement amounts as well as designated the Santa Barbara Police Department as the administrating agency. The disbursement amounts are as follows:

\$265,529
249,940
94,354
17,459
10,141
<u>139,783</u>

Total <u>\$777,206</u>

Upon receipt of funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, the City of Santa Barbara will transfer funds in the above amounts to the sub-recipients of the grant and retain \$265,529, which includes 10% (\$77,721) for costs to administer the grant.

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In its program narrative to the U.S. Department of Justice, The Santa Barbara Police Department outlined its objective to use \$187,808 of grant funding to retain one police officer position for a period of 1.53 years. \$77,721 will be used for costs relating to grant administration.

### **BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

The revenues and related appropriations have been established in a newly created Justice Assistance Grant Fund in connection with the fiscal year 2010 budget that is subject to adoption and effective July 1, 2009.

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